

#### REMARKS

Claims 1-40 were pending in the application. By this amendment, claim 13 is amended to correct minor typographical errors therein. No new matter has been added by these amendments. Thus, claims 1-40 are pending and at issue.

#### AMENDMENTS

The applicants are appreciative of the examiner's recognition of allowable subject matter in claims 1-40. The applicants respectfully traverse the objection to claims 13-24. Claim 13 is amended in accordance with the examiner's suggestions to correct minor typographical errors therein. Thus, the applicants submit that claims 13-24 are now in proper form and condition for allowance. The applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the objection to claims 13-24.

#### CONCLUSION

For these foregoing reasons, applicant respectfully requests an action on the merits of all the claims and a Notice of Allowance thereof. If there are any additional fees or refunds required, the Commissioner is directed to charge or debit Deposit Account No. 13-2855 (29888/39521).

Respectfully submitted,

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